"It shall not contain arguments, inferences, ironical expressions or defamatory statements, nor shall it refer to the conduct or character of persons except in their official or public capacity."

What is thepublic capacity of Ali Kunji here? It is all his private capacity so that these quesfions are not really questions that can be put under Rule 8. It is all his private conduct and character that is brought into the arena of this Council. UnderRule 8 (c) it is only something done in an official capacity that can be questioned.

Mr. George Chakyamuri :— Sir, I oppose that point of order.

President :— I don't accept the point of order.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim :— Are not the Government aware of the supreme importance of the questions under such important topics which will clearly bring about or disclose to the public at large number of instances of labour repression in our rural parts for which proper justice has not been realised?

President :— What is the question?

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim:— Have the Government realised the public importance of similar questions?

President :—To the extent they have realised they have answered.

41. Mr. Ibrahim:— Will the Government be pleased to state how the petitions of Messrs. Kochu Chakkan, Kunjandi and Raman or any of them against Mr. Ali Kunji were disposed of?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon :— Vide reply to Question No. 39.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim :— Am I to take it that all these persons complained that they were afraid of some harm? Did not any of these petitions contain specific hurt or specific assault? Did all these one dozen petitions contain only instances of their being afraid of this particular repressor?

Rama Varmha Tampuran :— None of these petitions under reference contained anything but a vague fear that they apprehended danger from the person.

42. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim :— Will the Government kindly say whether Messrs. Kochu Chakkan, Kunjandi and Raman are now residing in Mr. Ali Kunji's land with exact dates and reasons for their having left their homes in the latter's land?

Mr. Nilakanta Menon:— No. The exact dates of and the reasons for leaving are not known.

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